workers and their families, after receiving testimony from John Thayer, Supervisor, Capitol Power Plant Tunnel Crew, Office of the Architect of the Capitol; Harvey I. Pass, New York University School of Medicine, New York, New York; Richard Wilson, Harvard University Department of Physics and Center for Risk Analysis, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Barry Castleman, Garrett Park, Maryland; and Susan Vento, Maplewood, Minnesota.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 378, to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect judges, prosecutors, witnesses, victims, and their family members, with an amendment;
- S. 442, to provide for loan repayment for prosecutors and public defenders, with amendments;
- S. Con. Res. 10, honoring and praising the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 98th anniversary;
- H. Con. Res. 44, honoring and praising the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 98th anniversary;
- S. Res. 78, designating April 2007 as "National Autism Awareness Month" and supporting efforts to increase funding for research into the causes and treatment of autism and to improve training and support for individuals with autism and those who care for individuals with autism;

S. Res. 84, observing February 23, 2007, as the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade in the British Empire, honoring the distinguished life and legacy of William Wilberforce, and encouraging the people of the United States to follow the example of William Wilberforce by selflessly pursuing respect for human rights around the world; and

The nominations of John Preston Bailey, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia, Otis D. Wright II, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and George H. Wu, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters and adopted its rules of procedure for the 110th Congress.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 54 public bills, H.R. 1254–1307; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 76–77 and H. Res. 207–209, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 137, to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–27, Pt. 1).

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Employee Free Choice Act: The House passed H.R. 800, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to establish an efficient system to enable employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations and to provide for mandatory injunctions for unfair

labor practices during organizing, by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 118.

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Rejected the McKeon motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 202 ayes to 225 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 117.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read.

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Rejected:

King (IA) amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 110–26) that sought to add a section to the bill to

amend the National Labor Relations Act to discourage the practice of "salting", by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 264 noes, Roll No. 114;

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Foxx amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 110–26) that sought to require the National Labor Relations Board to promulgate standards and a model notice for an employee to put him- or herself on a "do not call or contact" list to avoid union solicitation, by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 115; and Pages H2080–82, H2087–88

McKeon amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 110–26) that sought to strike the underlying text and insert in its place the text of H.R. 866, the Secret Ballot Protection Act, by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 116.

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H. Res. 203, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 195 noes, Roll No. 113, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 112. Pages H2043-54

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5th for Morning Hour debate; and further, when the House adjourns on Thursday, March 8th, it adjourn to meet at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, March 9th.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, March 7th.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2053–54, H2054, H2087, H2088, H2088–89, H2090–91, and H2091. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Agriculture: Approved Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2008 for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on USDA's Inspector General. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Phyllis K. Fong, Inspector General; Kathleen S. Tighe, Deputy

Inspector General; Robert W. Young, Jr., Assistant Inspector General, Audit; Mark R. Woods, Assistant Inspector General, Investigations; and Suzanne Murrin, Assistant Inspector General, Management, all with the Office of Inspector General; and W. Scott Steele, Budget Officer.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on NSF. Testimony was heard from Arden L. Bement, Jr., Director, NSF.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Bureau of Reclamation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: P. Lynn Scarlet, Deputy Secretary; and Robert Johnson, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation.

FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on Financial Services for Disadvantaged Communities. Testimony was heard from JoAnn M. Johnson, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; Kimberly A. Reed, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Meeting Boarder Patrol Training Needs. Testimony was heard from Connie Patrick, Director, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Department of Homeland Security.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration/National Institute of Drug Abuse/National Institute of Mental Health/and National Institute of Alcohol and Alcoholism. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services; NIH: Terry Cline, M.D., Administrator,